

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1389
By Winningham

A RESOLUTION to commend Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek is one such individual who has distinguished herself in her role as a legislative intern for the House Education Committee; Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek's work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislators she assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a graduate student at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, where she is highly regarded by her peers, Reem has maintained a 4.0 GPA while pursuing her Master's degree in Public Administration and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Tennessee at Knoxville with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science; a testament to her dedication to academic excellence, Reem was on the Dean's List all four years of her undergraduate career; and she has been named "Most Intellectual" by her peers in the 104th General Assembly Session Intern Class; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarize herself with the characteristics and complexities of Tennessee's state government and to further her studies, Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek brought her many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2006 session of the One Hundred Fourth General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Reem quickly immersed herself in the duties of the Education Committee, as she endeavored to help the committee run more smoothly and efficiently; she ably monitored the chairman's legislation and accompanied him to the various committee meetings while

developing a firm grasp of how the system functions, observing both the technical and the human sides of a bill; and

WHEREAS, Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek will continue to develop her professional acumen as an intern at the Municipal Technical Advisory Service in the summer of 2006, under the direction of Mr. Bob Schwarz in Knoxville; and

WHEREAS, Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek's family name means "Servant of God, the Provider" in Arabic; she is the fifth child of Dr. and Mrs. Mahmoud Abdelrazek, immigrants from Egypt; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2006 legislative session, Reem has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; not only does she possess an enormous intellect and exemplary work ethic, she also evinces a winning smile and gracious manner, endearing her not only to the members of the Education Committee, but to the entire Legislature as well; and

WHEREAS, Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek has performed her many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby commend Reem Mahmoud Abdelrazek for outstanding service as a legislative intern for the House Education Committee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.